AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION:

Please replace the paragraph starting on page 24, line 15, with the following amended paragraph:

Any resulting program(s), having computer-readable program code, may be embodied on one or more computer-usable media such as resident memory devices, smart cards or other removable memory devices, or transmitting devices, thereby making a computer program product or article of manufacture according to the invention. As such, the terms "article of manufacture" and "computer program product" as used herein are intended to encompass a computer program that exists permanently or temporarily on any computer-usable medium or in any transmitting medium which transmits such a program. For example, in one representative embodiment, a computer-readable medium has instructions stored thereon that are executable by a computer system for communicating presence information between presence servers and terminals coupled to the presence servers via a network by identifying at least one presentity to which a terminal has requested presence services, creating a presence document including presence information corresponding to the presentity, configuring the presence information as partial presence information comprising less than a total of the presence information available for the presentity, and communicating the presence document having the partial presence information to the terminal requesting the presence information. As another example, a computer-readable medium has instructions stored thereon that are executable by a computer system for notifying client terminals of presence information by creating a presence document for use by at least one terminal requesting presence information regarding a presentity by creating a tuple(s) having a version value indicating a version of the tuple relative to previous versions of the tuple and by associating presence information comprising a subset of the presentity's complete set of presence information with the tuple, sending the presence document to the client terminal requesting the presence information, comparing the version value provided via the tuple to a current version value stored on the client terminal, and directing the client terminal to update presence information associated with the tuple, if the version value provided via the tuple indicates new presence information is available for that tuple.

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